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UNDOCUMENTED WORKERS SMUGGLED FOR DRUGS

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[Text] Five smugglers, who received cocaine and marihuana instead of money in exchange for bringing undocumented Colombians into the United States, were captured by the Federal Judicial Police in Nogales, Sonora. They confessed that they were selling the cocaine and marihuana--which they fixed as quotas for the undocumented workers--to traffickers in U.S. cities.

Frederico Chon Rodriguez, the head of the gang of smugglers, used falsified documents that he provided to those crossing the border. This individual was arrested along with his accomplices Olivia Yescas Escalante, Lorenzo Enrique Lou Calvo, Jesus Trujillo Palacios and Rafael Castaneda Castellanos.

Hotel Villa Alegre in Nogales, Sonora, was the place where they brought together the Colombians who had delivered cocaine and marihuana in exchange for their help in crossing the border.

Frederico Chon Rodriguez, the ringleader, falsified the official documents and directed all of the movements of the smugglers; Lorenzo Lou Calvo was the one who brought the workers to the vehicles in which they made the trip to the neighboring country, and Olivia Yescas Escalante took charge of collecting the drugs that were handed over in payment for the service.

At the time of their capture, the traffickers had in their possession packets of cocaine, heroin and marihuana and two vans for transporting the undocumented workers.

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